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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2002, and is filed prior to the expiration of the six-month statutory period for response. Applicants have amended the specification and claims of the above-referenced application (the "Application") and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the grounds of objection and rejection set forth in the Office Action.

Applicants are enclosing herewith the following items: (1) a Petition and Fee for a Three Month Extension of Time to Respond, (2) an Information Disclosure Statement, (3) form PTO/SB/087, (4) copies of the eight references listed on form PTO/SB/087, (5) a Fee Transmittal Sheet (in duplicate), (6) a Response Transmittal Sheet, and (7) a Return Postcard.

In response to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2002, please amend the Application as follows:

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